


<p style="text-align: center;">UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">OFFICIAL WARNING VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS</p>	CASE NUMBER: TN150001-AC	
	VIOLATOR: William Brock Tillman	
	ADDRESS (<i>Street, City, State, ZIP Code</i>): Bell Buckle, TN 37020	
<p>The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:</p> <p>Date of Violation: November 2, 2013</p> <p>9 C.F.R. § 11.2 (b)(10) Prohibitions concerning exhibitors.</p> <p>“The use of any of the following devices, equipment, or practices on any horse at any horse show, horse exhibition, or horse sale or auction is prohibited....</p> <p>Artificial extension of the toe length, whether accomplished with pads, acrylics or any other material or combinations thereof, that exceeds 50 percent of the natural hoof length, as measured from the coronet band, at the center of the front pastern along the front of the hoof wall, to the distal portion of the hoof wall at the tip of the toe...”</p> <p>William Brock Tillman entered for the purpose of showing the horse, “Gen’s Black Maverick”, at the 10th Annual East Tennessee Walking Horse Trainers Show in White Pine, Tennessee while the horse was out of compliance with the 50 percent Rule.</p>		
<p>The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.</p>		
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